## United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit



## APPELLANT'S APPENDIX

# 74-1796

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT

-against-

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

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Appellee,

Docket No. 74-1796

GEORGE THOMAS,

Appellant.

APPENDIX TO APPELLANT'S BRIEF

ON APPEAL FROM A JUDGMENT
OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDICTMENT

73 Cr.

GEORGE THOMAS.

Defendant.

73 CRIM. 1088

The Grand Jury charges:

On or about the 3rd day of April 1972, in the Southern District of New York.

GEORGE THOMAS,

falsely made, forged and counterfeited a writing, namely, the endorsement of the payee on a check, to wit, the words "Rosario Bucci"

on the back thereof, for the purpose of obtaining from
the United States and its officers and agents a sum of
money, the check being a genuine obligation of the United
States, and of the following tenor:

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 495.)

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USA-33s-115B - IND./INF. - Uttering and passing forged check Ed. 2-12-58 - (succeeding count)

#### SECOND COUNT

The Grand Jury further charges:

On or about the 3rd day of April 1972, in the Southern District of New York,

GEORGE THOMAS,

the defendant, unlawfully, wilfully and knowingly and with intent to defraud the United States, uttered and published as true and caused to be uttered and published as true, a false, forged and counterfeited writing, namely, the endorsement of the payee on a check knowing the same to be false, forged and counterfeited, the check being that described in the first count of this indictment.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 495.)

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United States Attorney

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

2:45 p.m.

THE COURT: Gentlemen, I have given this very careful consideration over the luncheon recess and reviewed the evidence and the arguments of counsel with great care.

It seems to me quite plain here that the defendant is guilty on both counts. I find the defendant guilty on count one and count two.

It is quite plain, number one, as shown by the uncontradicted and perfectly solid evidence of the handwriting expert, that the defendant actually wrote the name of Rosario Bucci on the back of that check.

Number two, it is quite plain from the evidence before the Court that Rosario Bucci was an old gentleman of 79 who lived by himself, who went out very infrequently, only two or three times a month, and had a serious heart condition.

It is further quite plain from the evidence that the defendant made various statements to the Secret Service agent which were false, including specifically the statement that he had not signed the check in the name of Rosario Bucci, that the endorsement was already on it and, in addition, he stated he didn't know who the man was who gave him the check, what he looked like and the further statement tied in with that that he got the check in a crap game.

When taken all together, it indicates that all of those statements were in all probability false.

It seems to me quite clear that he is guilty on both count one and count two, and I find him guilty on both counts.

I may say in that connection that the case of United States of America against James Edward Lacey, 459 Fed. Second 86 dealing with false exculpatory statements and their effect, is, if not controlling here, very pertinent to the situation the Court finds before it at the present time. That is the Second Circuit, 1972.

Now, that being so, what is the present posture of the defendant? Is he out on bail?

MR. GLEKEL: Your Honor, the defendant is on his own recognizance. The government would consent to that status pending sentencing.

THE COURT: Very good.

We will have a presentence report on this defendant.

Mr. Greenberg, you will put the defendant in touch with the probation office of the court so it can be gotten under way as rapidly as possible. In the meantime, what date?

THE CLERK: April 23rd.

THE COURT: What day of the week is that?